

Gilroy Station Fact Sheet

Station Description

- Existing Station Facilities: Caltrain has a Gilroy station at 7150 Monterey Street. This historic station is the southern most station along the Caltrain corridor. The station is wheelchair accessible and has 10 bicycle lockers, 4 bicycle racks, ticket vending machines, and public telephones. In addition, there is a 471 space surface parking lot and 6 bus bays. There is a single platform on the western side of the tracks.
- Current City Plans: According to the Downtown Gilroy Specific Plan, approved in November 2005, "a significant amount of development (about 176,000 square feet of commercial space and 513 residential units) is projected on the parcels bounded by Old Gilroy Street, Tenth Street, Alexander Street, and the railroad tracks." This is the land directly across the railroad tracks from the existing Caltrain station. The station falls in the Specific Plan's Gateway District, and guidelines for the railroad corridor state that "additional articulation should be provided on building facades that face this corridor to promote an aesthetically pleasing view of the Downtown for rail patrons." Desired uses in this area include offices, service commercial, residential in medium to high densities, visitor serving uses such as hotels. Additionally, it is "the intent of the City and Public Utilities Commission is to create a pedestrian pathway along the east side of the railroad corridor between Tenth Street and Leavesley Road."

Proposed High Speed Rail Station Use

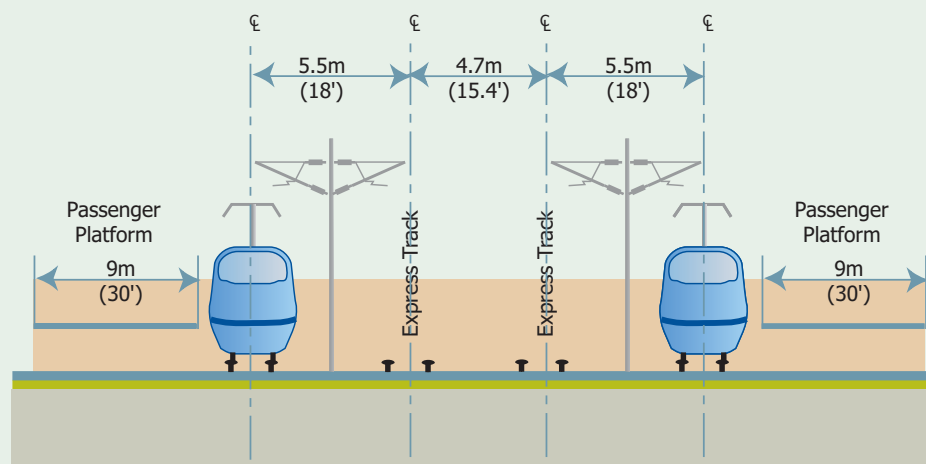
- Proposed Station Site: The proposed Gilroy site is at the existing Gilroy Caltrain station. The area is designated as Commercial-Downtown with land designated as Commercial- General Services to the east of the railroad tracks. The station site is in the center of the City of Gilroy, within the city limits, urban service area, and 20 year planning boundary. The predominant land uses surrounding the station are residential and commercial with an area of industrial uses to the southeast.
- Station Layout: The proposed station is at-grade with side platforms and 4 tracks. The two center tracks would be for express high speed rail service while the outside tracks would be for regional service.
- Parking: At the existing Caltrain station, all day parking is available in a total of 471 parking spaces, including 464 standard spaces, 2 handicap spaces, 1 handicap van accessible space, and 4 passenger pick-up/drop-off spaces.
- Access: Access to the existing Caltrain station is from Monterey Street and W. 8th Street.
- Intermodal Connections: Passengers at the existing Caltrain station can transfer to VTA (Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority) buses, the San Benito County Transit Shuttle, Monterey-Salinas Transit buses, and Amtrak motor coaches connecting to the Capital Corridor trains in San Jose or Oakland.

References

- Downtown Gilroy Specific Plan, November 21, 2005
<http://www.ci.gilroy.ca.us/planning/pdf/DowntownCh07.pdf>
<http://www.ci.gilroy.ca.us/planning/pdf/DowntownCh05.pdf>
- City of Gilroy General Plan Land Use Map
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Station Tracks and Platforms